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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

15 March 1957

SURJECT: Expansion of the Records Center

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1. On 1 March requested that I pursue with the Department of the Army on an informal basis the possibility of having them provide some storage space for the NIS Materials.

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- 2. Accordingly contacted Mr. Sherrod East, in charge of the Department of the Army's Records Center at Alexandria. The following information was obtained from a visit to them:
- a. Total capacity of Records Center facilities at Headquarters, Department of the Army, 290,000 cubic feet.
 - b. Total space occupied by records, 230,000.
 - c. Total records accession this past year 24,464 cubic feet.
 - d. Total records destroyed, 27,223 cubic feet.
 - e. Requests for service, 94,469.
 - f. Classified records, 80,000 cubic feet.
 - g. Prints made from microfilm, 149,624.
 - h. T/O, 150 (132 Civilians -- 18 Military).

I discussed with Mr. East their procedures, took a look at their layout for storage of records and generally observed their operations. I did not make any attempt to "feel-out" Mr. East with respect to whether they could accommodate any of our materials.

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